WE CLAIM

- 1. An insert for attachment to a jaw of a jaw-type occlusion device, comprising:
- 5 an attaching structure for attaching the insert to the jaw;
 - a compliant cushion secured to the attaching structure and having a surface; and
 - a flexible non-compliant surface overlay secured onto the cushion surface for engagement with a vessel or other body tissue.

- 2. The insert of claim 1 wherein the surface overlay entirely covers the cushion surface.
- 3. The insert of claim 1 wherein the surface overlay includes a series of notches extending along sides of the overlay to provide for increased [lateral] flexibility of the overlay.
 - 4. The insert of claim 1 wherein the overlay is formed of metal.
- The insert of claim 4 wherein the overlay is perforated.
 - 6. The insert of claim 5 wherein perforations in the metal are formed by punching holes through the metal.
- 7. The insert of claim 1 wherein the overlay is formed of a thermoplastic.
 - 8. The insert of claim 1 wherein the overlay includes surface irregularities.

- 9. The insert of claim 1 wherein the overlay further includes protrusions extending from the overlay for providing increased traction with an engaged vessel or body tissue.
- 5 10. The insert of claim 11 wherein the protrusions further comprise a plurality of columns extending from the overlay in a direction generally perpendicular to the cushion surface.
- 11. An insert for attachment to a jaw of a jaw-type occlusion device,10 the jaw having a channel or cavity extending longitudinally therein, the insert comprising:
 - a compliant cushion having a surface;
 - a flexible elongate attachment member having a securing portion configured to extend through the jaw channel or cavity; and
- a flexible non-complaint surface overlay secured onto the cushion surface for engagement with a vessel or other body tissue.
 - 12. The insert of claim 11 wherein the surface overlay entirely covers the cushion surface.

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- 13. The insert of claim 11 wherein the surface overlay includes a series of notches extending along sides of the overlay to provide for increased flexibility of the overlay.
 - The insert of claim 11 wherein the overlay is formed of metal.
 - 15. The insert of claim 14 wherein the overlay is perforated.
- 16. The insert of claim 15 wherein perforations in the metal are30 formed by punching holes through the metal.

- 17. The insert of claim 11 wherein the overlay is formed of a thermoplastic.
- 18. The insert of claim 11 wherein the overlay includes surface5 irregularities.
 - 19. The insert of claim 11 wherein the overlay further includes protrusions extending from the overlay for providing increased traction with an engaged vessel or body tissue.

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- 20. The insert of claim 19 wherein the protrusions further comprise a plurality of columns extending from the overlay in a direction generally perpendicular to the cushion surface.
- 15 21. An insert for attachment to a jaw of a jaw-type occlusion device, comprising:

an attaching structure for attaching the insert to the jaw;

- a compliant cushion secured to the attaching structure and having a surface; and
- a flexible non-complaint surface overlay secured onto the cushion surface for engagement with a vessel or other body tissue, the overlay being formed of a metal that extends over the entire cushion surface.
 - 22. The insert of claim 21 wherein the metal is perforated.

- 23. The insert of claim 21 wherein the overlay includes surface irregularities.
- The insert of claim 21 wherein the surface overlay further
 includes a series of notches extending along sides of the overlay to provide for increased flexibility of the overlay.

25. An insert for attachment to a jaw of a jaw-type occlusion device, comprising:

an attaching structure for attaching the insert to the jaw;

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a compliant cushion secured to the attaching structure and having a surface; and

a flexible non-complaint surface overlay secured onto the cushion surface for engagement with a vessel or other body tissue, the overlay being formed of a thermoplastic and further including a plurality of protrusions extending from the overlay in a direction generally perpendicular to the cushion surface for increased traction with an engaged vessel or body tissue.

- 26. The insert of claim 25 wherein the surface overlay further includes a series of notches extending along sides of the overlay to provide for increased flexibility of the overlay.
- 27. An insert for attachment to a jaw of a jaw-type occlusion device, comprising:

a compliant cushion having first and second surfaces, the second surface being adapted for releasable attachment to the jaw; and

a flexible non-compliant surface overlay secured onto the first surface of the cushion, the overlay adapted for engagement with a vessel or other body tissue.

- 28. The insert of claim 27 wherein the surface overlay entirely covers the first surface of the cushion.
 - 29. The insert of claim 27 wherein the surface overlay includes a series of notches extending along sides of the overlay to provide for increased flexibility of the overlay.

- 30. The insert of claim 27 wherein the overlay is formed of metal.
- 31. The insert of claim 30 wherein the overlay is perforated.
- 5 32. The insert of claim 31 wherein perforations in the metal are formed by punching holes through the metal.
 - 33. The insert of claim 27 wherein the overlay is formed of a thermoplastic.

- 34. The insert of claim 27 wherein the overlay includes surface irregularities.
- 35. The insert of claim 27 wherein the overlay further includes
 protrusions extending from the overlay for providing increased traction with an engaged vessel or body tissue.
- 36. The insert of claim 35 wherein the protrusions further comprise a plurality of columns extending from the overlay in a direction generally
 20 perpendicular to the cushion surface.